GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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DEATH DUE TO ACCIDENTS ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have studied the corrective measures adopted by the foreign countries for preventing accidents on the National Highway;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of persons died due to accidents on the National Highways in the country during the last three years ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OFTHE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GENERAL (RETD.) KHANDURI)

(a)to(c):Based on study conducted on Road Safety Practices in India and other countries, a `Manual for Safety in Road Design` has been evolved. Corrective Engineering measures like road signs/marking, delinateators, safety fences, median barriers, footways, pedestrian under-passages/crossings, laybyes for trucks and buses etc. are incorporated in the design of National Highways. A Highway Safety Code has also been evolved giving details of safety measures for road users.

(d): Provisional figures of the number of persons who died due to accidents on the National Highways in the country during 1998, 1999 and 2000 is provisionally 26682, 28713 and 30150 respectively.